

**RULE NO.: R161-13.30 &
R161-13.31**

POSTING DATE: October 3, 2013

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

The Director of Watershed Protection Department proposes to adopt the following rules after November 4, 2013.

Comments on the proposed rules are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Dana McGehee, 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1200, Austin Texas, 78704, 974-2634, or via email at dana.mcgehee@austintexas.gov. To be considered, comments must be submitted before November 4, 2013, the 32nd day after the date this notice is posted. A summary of the written comments received will be included in the notice of rule adoption that must be posted for the rules to become effective.

An affordability impact statement regarding the proposed rules has been obtained and is available for inspection or copying at the address noted in the preceding paragraph.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED RULE

A rule proposed in this notice may not become effective before the effective date established by a separate notice of rule adoption. A notice of rule adoption may not be posted before November 4, 2013 (the 32nd day after the date of this notice) or not after January 2, 2014 (the 90th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before January 2, 2014, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule.

TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE

A copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following locations. Copies may be purchased at the locations at a cost of ten cents per page:

Watershed Protection Department, located at 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1200, Austin, TX, 78704; and

Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULES

R161-13.30: Revisions to the Standard Specification Manual as follows:

Standard Specifications

- **591S – Riprap for Slope Protection:** Changed requirements for rock riprap that require acceptable gradation and durability, while improving the specification's clarity and organization. Changes include: establishing minimum values for the rock absorption and soundness; modification of submittals for rock riprap to require data for specific gravity, absorption, soundness, and gradation; references to test procedures to evaluate these newly required properties; substitution of old riprap gradation table with new gradation table; addition of an example gradation plot.
- **628S – Sediment Containment Dikes:** Removed references to Filter Inlet Protection criteria and details.

R161-13.31: Revisions to the Standard Details Manual as follows:

Standard Details

- **628S-2 Filter Dike Curb Inlet Protection:** Removed
- **508S-16, 18, and 19:** Modified note to indicate that rock outfall armor should be extended up the opposite bank for small channel with a width less than 10 pipe.

AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE

The authority and procedure for the adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is established in Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The authority to regulate water quality control standards is established in Chapter 25-8 of the City Code.

CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule R161-13.30 and R161-13.31, the City Attorney certifies the City Attorney has reviewed the rules and finds that adoption of the rules is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

REVIEW AND APPROVED

Victoria J. Li, P.E., Director
Watershed Protection Department

Date: _____

Karen Kennard
City Attorney

Date: _____

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